**To Kill a Mockingbird**

**Guided Reading Questions**

**Chapter 29, 30, & 31**

1. **Why hadn’t Atticus or any of the neighbors heard the children yelling?** Atticus or any of the neighbors didn’t hear any of the children yelling because the volumes of all of their radios were very loud.
2. **What conclusion does Sheriff Tate come to about Scout’s costume?** Sheriff Tate concludes that Scout’s costume saved her life. That Ewell tried stabbing Scout, and the costume had volume to it, so it helped with the knife not going all the way through.
3. **According to the sheriff, what kind of man was Bob Ewell?** Sheriff Tate says that Bob Ewell was such an alcoholic that he could kill children.
4. **When Scout points to the man who saved Jem and looks at him closely, what does she realize? What does she do and say?** Scout realizes that Boo Radley had saved Scout and Jem’s lives, then she realizes that Boo Radley killed Bob Ewell.
5. **Why does Atticus suggest they go to the porch instead of the living room? Why does Scout seat Boo in a chair in a deep shadow?** Atticus suggests talking in the porch because the living room lights are too bright. Then, Boo Radley isn’t used to the light, since he is accustomed to being inside with shadows. So, Atticus says that the porch light isn’t as strong as in the living room.
6. **Who does Atticus think killed Bob Ewell?** Atticus thinks Jem killed Bob Ewell.
7. **What does Sheriff Tate say about Bob Ewell’s death?** Sheriff Tate says that Bob Ewell was drunk and slipped onto his own knife, which killed Ewell.
8. **When Atticus continues to argue with the sheriff about protecting Jem, what does the sheriff yell?** Sheriff Tate yells when Atticus asks Jem to be charged. The sheriff yells, “God damn it, I’m not thinking of Jem!”
9. **What does the sheriff say the townspeople, including his wife, would do if they knew the truth about who killed Bob Ewell? What does the sheriff say would be a sin?** The townspeople will not stop talking about Boo Radley if they found out the truth on who killed Bob Ewell. The sheriff says that it would be a sin to bring Boo Radley into limelight.
10. **What is Scout’s response when Atticus asks her if she can understand that “Mr. Ewell fell on his own knife”?** Scout says she understands that Bob Ewell fell on his own knife, and says how it is similar to killing a mockingbird.
11. **After Scout takes Boo home, what makes her sad?** After Scout takes Boo home, Scout is sad because she never gave anything in return when Boo Radley gave them gifts in the knothole of a tree.
12. **As Scout tells Atticus the story of The Gray Ghost, what does she say about Stoner’s boy? What is Atticus’ response?** Scout says that the Stoner’s Boy was really nice. Then, Atticus says that most people are just nice.
13. **Scout states that Boo Radley, their neighbor, had given them things, including their lives. Scout is sad that she and Jem had not been a neighbor to Boo, that they had given him nothing in return. Is Scout right? Explain.** Scout is right since they didn’t give Boo Radley anything or visited him at all. Boo Radley has saved their lives many times, so they owe them their life.
14. **What has Scout learned from all of these experiences?** Scout learned many life lessons from these experiences. One of them was to be in someone’s shoes, so you can understand their situation. Also, Scout learned that you shouldn’t believe in what other townspeople say. Such as rumors about Boo Radley insinuating that he is a bad person, but in reality, Boo Radley is a very nice person.